

TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY
OF AMERICA,

$$V.$$

Defendant.

ORDER

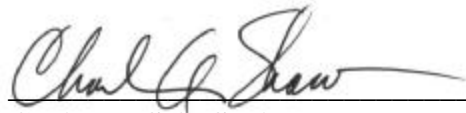
The Court generally does not permit counsel to withdraw until substitute counsel has entered an appearance on behalf of a defendant, and will not do so in this matter. If the Court were to grant the motion to withdraw, defendant would be a pro se litigant in this Court. The law does not permit a corporation to proceed pro se. See Ackra Direct Mktg. Corp. v. Fingerhut Corp., 86 F.3d 852, 856-57 (8th Cir. 1996).

¹The motion to withdraw also purports to be filed on behalf of William S. Daniel, “co-counsel” for defendant, but Mr. Daniel has never entered his appearance in this case and is not counsel of record.

The Court will not consider the issue of any additional time for defendant to respond to pending motions or to file dispositive motions until substitute counsel has entered an appearance and sought such an extension.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Motion for Leave to Withdraw filed by Mr. Silvermintz as attorney for defendant Holtzman Properties, L.L.C. is **DENIED** without prejudice. [Doc. 87]



CHARLES A. SHAW
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated this 26th day of June, 2009.